Understanding Registration and Attestation for the EHR Incentive Program

CMS Regions VII and VIII Webinar
October 26, 2011

Agenda

- Eligibility for the EHR Program
- Registration – Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals
- Attestation – Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals
- Path to Payment – Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals
- Helpful EHR Program Resources
- Other Medicare Program Deadlines
- Q&A Session

Eligible Professionals

Medicare-only Eligible Professionals

Doctors of Optometry

Doctors of Podiatric Medicine

Chiropractor

Medicaid-only Eligible Professionals

Nurse Practitioners

Certified Nurse-Midwives

Physician Assistants (PAs)
when working at an FQHC or RHC that is so led by a PA

Doctors of Medicine

Doctors of Osteopathy

Doctors of Dental Medicine or Surgery

Could be eligible for both Medicare & Medicaid

Medicare Eligible Professionals

- Must be a physician (defined as MD, DO, DDM/DDS, optometrist, podiatrist, chiropractor)
- Must have Part B Medicare allowed charges
- Must not be hospital-based
- Must be enrolled in Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS) in an 'approved status' and living

Medicaid Eligible Professionals

Must be one of 5 types of EPs

Must either:

- Have ≥ 30% *Medicaid* patient volume (≥ 20% for pediatricians only); or

- Practice predominantly in an FQHC or RHC with ≥30% *needy individual* patient volume

Licensed, credentialed

No OIG exclusions, living

Must not be hospital-based

Eligible Hospitals

Hospitals only eligible for Medicare incentive

Hospitals only eligible for Medicaid incentive

Subsection(d) hospitals in 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia*
Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs)*

without 10% Medicaid

Most subsection(d) hospitals/ acute care hospitals
Most CAHs

Children's hospitals
Acute care hospitals in the territories
Cancer hospitals

Could be eligible for both Medicare & Medicaid (most hospitals)

Hospital Eligibility

Medicare

- Title XVIII subsection(d) qualified
  - Must be in 50 United States or D.C.
- Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs)
- Medicare Advantage (MA-Affiliated) Hospitals

Medicaid

- Acute care hospital with at least 10% Medicaid patient volume
  - General, short-term stay
  - Cancer
  - Critical Access Hospitals
- Children's hospitals

Dually Eligible Hospitals

- Dually-eligible hospitals should select "Both Medicare and Medicaid" from the start of registration in order to maintain this program option.

- Hospitals that register only for the Medicare OR Medicaid program will not be able to manually change their registration.

Pre-Registration – Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals

Eligible Professionals -- Before you Register

Eligible Professional should have the following:

- National Provider Identifier (NPI)

- National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) web user account

- Be currently enrolled in Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS)

  - If you are not enrolled in PECOS then you should still register for the EHR Incentive Program

- Payee NPI (if you are reassigning your benefits)

Eligible Hospitals and CAHs -- Before you Register

- National Provider Identifier (NPI)

- Identification and Authentication (I&A) User ID and Password

- Be currently enrolled in Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS)

- CMS Certification Number (CCN)

Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals -- Register for the EHR Incentive Programs

- Visit the CMS EHR Incentive Programs website
  - Click on the Registration tab
  - Complete your registration

  https://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/

EHR Incentive Programs Website

Registration Link and Registration User Guides

Registration User Guides

EHR Incentive Program Registration Module - Login

Login

Login Instructions

(*) Red asterisk indicates a required field.

Eligible Professionals (EP)

- If you are an EP, you must have an active National Provider Identifier (NPI) and have a National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) web user account. Use your NPPES user ID and password to log into this system.

- If you are an EP who does not have an NPI and/or an NPPES web user account, navigate to NPPES to apply for an NPI and/or create an NPPES web user account.

- Users working on behalf of an Eligible Professional(s) must have an Identity and Access Management system (I&A) web user account (User ID/Password) and be associated to the Eligible Professional's NPI. If you are working on behalf of an Eligible Professional(s) and do not have an I&A web user account, Create a Login in the I&A System.

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Account Management

- If you are an existing user and need to reset your password, visit the I&A System.

- If you are having issues with your User ID/Password and are unable to log in, please contact the EHR Incentive Program Information Center at 888-734-6433 / TTY: 888-734-6563.

WARNING: Only authorized registered users have rights to access the Medicare & Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Registration & Attestation System. Unauthorized access to this system is forbidden and will be prosecuted by law. By accessing this system users are subject to monitoring by system personnel. Anyone using this system expressly consents to monitoring and is advised that if such monitoring reveals possible evidence of criminal activity, system personnel may provide the evidence of such monitoring to law enforcement officials.

* User ID: [   ]

* Password: [   ]

LOG IN »

Enter the NPPES web User ID and Password

User ID and Password are case sensitive

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Eligible Professionals -Registration

Medicare & Medicaid EHR Incentive Program
Registration and Attestation System

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Submission Receipt

Successful Submission

You have successfully registered for the EHR Incentive Payment Program.

IMPORTANT! Please note:

- You must submit your Attestation information to qualify for your EHR Incentive Payment

- You may switch between Medicare and Medicaid as many times as necessary prior to receiving an incentive payment. Once a payment is received you may also switch between Medicare and Medicaid once between payments but only once for the entire program.

- You should print this page for your records

Registration Tracking Information

Registration ID: 1000001063

Name: Jane Doe

Submitted Date: 12/07/2010

Reason(s) for Submission:

- You are an Eligible Professional registering in the incentive program.

- You have modified your registration information.

PRINT   « RETURN TO HOME

This completes your registration

Print the receipt for your records

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Eligible Hospitals - Registration

Both Medicare & Medicaid Hospitals

Dually-eligible hospitals or Medicaid-only hospitals must also register with their states.

Your State Medicaid Agency will need to collect and verify additional eligibility information.

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Submission Receipt

Successful Submission

You have successfully registered for the EHR Incentive Payment Program.

IMPORTANT! Please note:

- If you are a Medicaid provider, your State Medicaid Agency will need to collect and verify additional eligibility information. After 24 hours, please continue your registration using your State's eligibility verification tool. You can find your State here . Your State will also collect any information to support a program attestation for Medicaid providers (i.e., Medicaid providers will not use the attestation feature on this site). Your State Medicaid Agency may also contact you through the email and/or street addresses you provided in this registration to explain how to continue the eligibility process.

- You may switch between Medicaid and Medicare any time prior to your payment being initiated. This means that when [Medicare or the State Medicaid Agency] begins calculating and disbursing your payment, you will be unable to switch between Medicaid and Medicare.

Registration Tracking Information

Registration ID: 1000000746

LBN: Any Hospital, Inc.

Submitted Date: 12/14/2010

Submitted By: Authorized Official

Reason(s) for Submission:

- You are an Eligible Hospital registering in the incentive program.

- You have modified your registration information.

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Submission Receipt

Submission Receipt

Accepted Attestation

The EP demonstrates meaningful use of certified EHR technology by meeting the applicable objectives and associated measures.

- The meaningful use core measures are accepted and meet MU minimum standards.
- The meaningful use menu measures are accepted and meet MU minimum standards.
- All clinical quality measures were completed with data sufficient to meet the minimum standards.

Note: Please print this page for your records. You will not receive an e-mail confirmation of your attestation.

Please select the **SUMMARY OF MEASURES** button below to view all measures and their corresponding calculation/compliance. Select the Status Tab for additional information about your EHR incentive program participation.

Attestation Tracking Information

Attestation Confirmation Number: 1000002373

Name: John Doe

TIN: XXX-XX-6873 (SSN)

NPI: 1234567890

EHR Certification Number: 30000001SVJ6EAK

EHR Reporting Period: 01/12/2011 - 05/19/2011

Attestation Submission Date: 03/16/2011

Reason for Attestation: You are a Medicare Eligible Professional modifying an attestation for the EHR Incentive Program.

Please select the PRINT button to print this page, the SUMMARY OF MEASURES button to view all submitted measures, or the HOME button to go to the Home Page.

PRINT | SUMMARY OF MEASURES | HOME

Print this page for your records
Your attestation is locked and cannot be edited

Medicare
EP Path to Payment

- Make sure you are eligible for the Medicare EHR Incentive Program

- Get registered

- Meaningful user of certified Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology

- Obtain your EHR certification number from The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) website

    http://onc-chpl.force.com/ehrcert

- Attest to core, menu, and clinical quality measures

  - February 29, 2012 is the last day for Medicare EPs to register and attest to receive an incentive payment for CY 2011

Medicare & Medicaid Eligible Hospital Path to Payment

- **Make sure you are eligible for the EHR Incentive Program.**

- **Get registered**

- **Use certified EHR technology**

- **Be a Meaningful User**
  - You have to successfully demonstrate "meaningful use" for a consecutive 90-day period in your first year of participation (and for a full year in each subsequent years) to receive EHR incentive payments
  - For Medicaid, attest to Meaningful Use* of certified EHR Technology

- **Attest for incentive payments**
  - September 30, 2011 – Last day of the federal fiscal year. Reporting year ends for eligible hospitals and CAHs.

Medicaid eligible hospitals may adopt, implement, upgrade, or meaningfully use certified EHR technology in the first participation year.

User Guides and Other Resources

Below are step-by-step guides to help you register for EHR Incentive Programs. Choose the guide that fits your needs:

- Registration User Guide for Eligible Professionals 🔗 – Medicare Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program.
- Registration User Guide for Eligible Professionals 🔗 – Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program.
- Registration User Guide for Eligible Hospitals 🔗 – Medicare and Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program.
- Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Webinar for Eligible Professionals - This tutorial video will provide Eligible Professionals with a step-by-step guide to help ensure the registration process is a success.
  - A transcript of this webinar is available 🔗.

Below are step-by-step Attestation User Guides to help you attest for the Medicare EHR Incentive Program. You can also use our Attestation Worksheet, Meaningful Use Attestation Calculator, and educational webinar to help you prepare for and complete the attestation process:

- Attestation User Guide for Eligible Hospitals 🔗
- Attestation User Guide for Medicare Eligible Professionals 🔗
- Meaningful Use Attestation Calculator (version 1)
- Electronic Specifications for clinical quality measures (CQM)

The Electronic Health Record (EHR) Information Center is open to assist the EHR Provider Community with inquiries.

1-888-734-6433. TTY users should call 1-888-734-6563.

EHR Information Center Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. (Central Time) Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.

Submit an Inquiry to the EHR Information Center

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Additional Resources

- General information, tip sheets, registration and attestation modules for the EHR Incentive Programs:

  http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms

- Learn about certification and certified EHR products as well as other ONC programs designed to support providers in this effort:

  http://healthit.hhs.gov

- Send e-mail to CMS Regional Office at:

  RODENMMFM@cms.hhs.gov

  ROKCMMFM@cms.hhs.gov

Additional Resources

Regional Extension Center

http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt/community/healthit_hhs_gov__rec_program/1495

State Medicaid Agency

http://www.cms.gov/apps/files/statecontacts.pdf

EHR Information Center

o 1-888-734-6433   7:30 am – 6:30 pm CT, Monday -Friday

o E-mail questions via link at:

https://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/20_RegistrationandAttestation.asp#TopOfPage

Important Medicare Program Deadline

Medicare Electronic Prescribing (eRx) Incentive Program

- Deadline to request hardship exemption for the 2012 payment adjustment is November 1, 2011

- Eligible professionals and group practices should review the MLN Article SE1107 to determine whether they will be subject to the 2012 adjustment

- Those who are should determine whether they meet any of the hardship exemption categories

- The significant hardship exemption request and rationale must be submitted by November 1, 2011

Questions & Answers